(ME 508) OPTIMIZATION TECHNIQUES

Objective of the Course:

To familiarize the students with the modeling of mechanical engineering systems and obtaining the optimum solution.

UNIT - I

Introduction & Linear Programming Problems:

Introduction: Engineering applications of optimization, statement of an optimization problem, classification of optimization problems.

Linear programming: Simplex method, Applications of linear programming, Two-phases of simplex method, Big-M method.

UNIT - II

Transportation & Assignment Problems : Allocation problems: Formulation - Optimal solution, unbalanced transportation problems. Assignment problem - Formulation - Optimal solution - Variations i.e., non (m x n) Matrix.

UNIT - III

Classical optimization techniques : Single variable optimization with and without constraints, multivariable optimization without constraints, multi – variable optimization with constraints – solution by method of constrained variation method of Lagrange multipliers, Kuhn – Tucker conditions.

Non linear programming unconstrained optimization techniques: (Numerical methods for optimization)

Direct search methods – Random search methods; Univariate method Pattern Directions, Hooke and Jeeves' method, Powell's method, Nelder Mead's Simplex search method.

UNIT - IV

Non Linear programming unconstrained optimization techniques:

Indirect search methods: Gradient of a function, Steepest descent method, Newton's method. Davidon-Fletcher – Powell method, types of penalty methods for handling constraints.

UNIT-V

Non – traditional optimization algorithms: Genetic algorithms (GA) – working principle, reproduction, crossover, mutation, advanced GA operators. GA for constrained optimization, multimodal function optimization.

Simulated annealing, working principle, Metropolis algorithm, differences and similarities between conventional and non-conventional algorithms, introduction to Neural networks and fuzzy logic as an optimization tool.

TEXT BOOKS:

- S.S.Rao, "Engineering Optimization", 3rd Edition, New Age Publishers, 2008.
- 2. Kalyanmoy Deb, "Optimization for Engineering Design", 1st Edition, PHI Publishers, 2009.

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- 1. Jasbir Arora, "Optimal Design", Mc Graw Hill (International) Publishers.
- 2. D.E.Goldberg, "Genetic algorithms in Search, Optimization and Machine Learning", 1st Edition, John Wiley Publishers, 2009.
- 3. Kalyanmoy Deb, "Multi Objective Optimization Using Evolutionary Algorithms", 1st Edition, PHI Publishers, 2003.